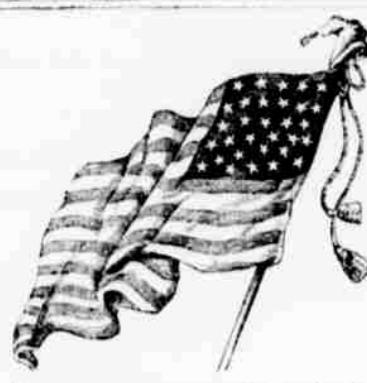


# DAILY ARGUS.

THE UNION MUST BE PRESERVED.

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Thursday Evening.....May 22.



"If any one attempts to haul down the American Flag, shoot him on the spot!"—*A. A. D.*

**THE ARGUS** is the only paper in this country that takes geographic reports, consequently it can furnish the people of this and adjoining countries with news in advance of any other paper.

## FILL UP THE REGIMENTS.

A proclamation has been issued by Governor Yates calling for a large number of additional troops from this state, to fill up the regiments which have been so terribly decimated by battle and disease. Some of the Illinois regiments are reduced to two and three hundred men, and we suppose there is hardly one in the service, from the state, which is able to muster the minimum number. The proclamation was issued at Pittsburgh, and is as follows:

## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

Pittsburgh Landing, May 19.—

To the People of the State of Illinois, Greeting:—I am this day called upon by Major General Halleck, in conformity with an order from the War Department of the United States, to furnish recruits to fill up the volunteer regiments from the State of Illinois. Many of our regiments entered the field with numbers scarcely above the minimum. These have nobly done their duty, and many of them have purchased lasting honor with the price of their lives, and it remains only for us to maintain what they have achieved, and therefore I call upon the people of Illinois to raise men in every precinct of the State for the regiments that were sent from their own sections, to fill up their own companies.

"Relying upon the same patriotism that has thus far furnished a brave and noble host at the shortest notice, I send forth this proclamation, and confidently expect a prompt response that will maintain the present glory of our state."

RICHARD YATES,

Governor of Illinois.

O. M. Hatch, Secretary of State.

Parson Brownlow is reported to have said the other day:

"He said that there is a great deal of ignorance at the north, as well as the south, and instances the common idea entertained among us that this rebellion is the work of *slaves*. That is no sense true. The slaveholders were conservatives generally—they favored the loss of property which division would bring upon them; whereas those who had nothing to lose were easily influenced by the demagogues who persuaded them that abolitionists would free the negroes and let them to assume them."

This is the position assumed by most of the representatives of southern union sentiment, and it was the turning point in the recent conservative speech of T. P. Blair, Jr. It is a common sense view of the case. If it is the slavery question, but the negro question, which inclines the south to rebellion. The slaveholders have had to bear the wrath of abolitionists, but what is to become of the negro has been the question with the mass of the southern people.—*Chicago Times*.

**A Brother of ex-President Polk Speaks for the Union.**

The union men of Tennessee recently held a monster union meeting at Nashville, and a correspondent of the Louisville *Journal*, thus reports a speech made by Col. Wm. H. Polk, a brother of the late President James K. Polk:

He took the rattle and proposed an hour's adjournment for dinner. "No," was the response. "Well," said the colonel, "I suppose you are feeding on patriotism, then?" He knew not, a year ago, when he should be permitted again to address his countrymen, or whether it would be one year or ten before the old flag wave over the state. He happened to be in Nashville the day Tennessee was stampeded out of the government. He heard the song of infernites denouncing that glorious emblem, he saw his country's flag dragged and torn down and trampled in the dust through the streets; he almost lost all hope, when he saw 1,000 men who had been the protectors of his life by their example, gray-haired men, weep at the degradation of the stars and stripes. Poorly moved, he had some power left him for strength and the balance of his existence in the effort to cause the old flag to wave over again. He had sworn it as fervently as he had sworn against the tyranny of Ross. How it stings again, beautiful and bright, and now to all, just him in the earth never to see me drawn again, never, never, never! to help me to God! (Need I parenthetically picture the scene that followed this impassioned eloquence?) It will be in memory of my lifetime! Friends of Tennessee, you are safe if you are united; your countrymen can no longer be torn from your hearthstones; the mother need no longer, or turturiously whisper the note of patrionism in the ear of her child, if you will stand by the pillars of your faith, baptized by the blood of your fathers. When we're back to tell the causes which led to all these disasters, let us ask what shall our future be? The question is now addressed to the minds of the people of Tennessee, shall we submit to the marching parties and bands of thieves, who prowl about the country or shall we buckie on our armor to impress them? He saw many madly facing him, and exhorted all to prepare to drive the marching robbers from our soil. He was no military man, but if this feeling animates the hearts of the people of Tennessee, we shall hear more of John Morgan, and he would give a private to the ranks to drive the inimicities from our state. We were setting a fearful hazard—it was no ordinary stake, we played for, each of us to see if our day is marked. What a stroke! In a political place or pecuniary reward? What is it? We hazard the safety of our wives and babies, and he is a coward who will not battle with bare arms and breast for their defense. The marchers must go down or we must go down. The union must perish, success or failure lie upon our necks, or we must be crushed under the heel of the marchers until they yield obedience to the laws and implement of justice, or be forced from this state."

BAILEY DAVENPORT, Mayor.

Speaking of the disturbances caused by the conservative movement of members of congress, the Boston *Post* says: "The radicals appear as obnoxious as criminal at the rate of a jail-trotter."

## PROCLAMATION.

I, Bailey Davenport, mayor of the city of Davenport, do hereby declare section two of an ordinance passed on the 1st, 1861, more than ordinances relating to dogs made to large, to be in force from this date.

BAILEY DAVENPORT, Mayor.

## GREEN HOUSE AND FLOWER NURSERY!

AT CAPT. JOHN HOLT'S PLACE.

VERBENAS, DAHLIAS, GERANIUMS,

and all other kinds of

Bedding-out and House Plants;

are kept for sale at low prices, at

THEODORE NISSENS'

Green House and Flower Nursery.

May 17, 1861.

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